Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The people of the state of South Dakota have been fortunate to be the recipients of the endeavors of a special class of individuals devoted to making our state number one in the transportation field; and,

Whereas, Michael Fackelman has given over 33 years of dedicated service to the South Dakota Department of Transportation (DOT) and will be retiring on November 8, 2007; and,

Whereas, Mike began his career on January 14, 1974, as a Maintenance Worker in Sturgis. He has served in a number of positions with the DOT as a Senior Highway Maintenance Worker, Highway Maintenance Foreman, and as Lead Highway Maintenance Worker; and,

Whereas, Mike has served his community on the local fire department, sheriff's department, and the ambulance crew. He has been through blizzards, floods, and fires, helping out at accident scenes and changing lives; and,

Whereas, Mike's dedication to his family and fellow workers has been exceptional. He is trusted and respected by everyone who has been fortunate to know him; and,

Whereas, Mike's professionalism has set high standards for all employees, and his honesty, loyalty, and integrity will be missed by his friends and co-workers in the DOT; and,

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 8, 2007, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his colleagues, family, and friends in the Department of Transportation and across the state in wishing him well in his retirement.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourth Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State